SUNDAY, One Year

WREELY, Our Tear

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WARRINGTON, Jan. 7.-For Lower Michigan-Fiar, preceded by snow flurries at lake stations; colder; northerly

SOUVENIE COINS.

For the especial benefit of THE HERALD's readers, a small number of world's fair souvenir coins-all that could be obtained-has been secured and will be offered for sale, exclusively to our regular subscribers, at the market rate of \$1 each. These coins possess a historic value. They are eagerly sought for m all quarters of the country. The supply of 5,000,000 of them will furnish a coin to only one in twelve of our population. The other eleven must be denied the satisfaction of owning one of them, because it is probable that no more than the number | depravity. To be implicated in so the "friends will provide" letter, for authorized by law to be issued will great a scandal as the Panama cana Secretary Campbell evinced a large debe coined. On the basis of one coin to scheme is to be branded as a gree of pride in the authorship of that every twelve persons THE HERALD'S rogue; but to have confessed for sagacious missive. There are a few purchase of 327 will supply but a frac- the purpose of securing personal persons who assume to believe that all tion of its number of readers, hence it will be necessary to call at the count- depths of human depravity and vil- political blunders. There are yet othing room early tomorrow morning to lainy. To bolster up his weak-hearted ers who will believe that the ex-governsecure one of them. THE HERALD confession, he offers the cowardly ex- or's latest break is even more mexcuspaid \$1 each for the coins to which is added express charges and other inci- public that the Panama Canal company sors. THE HERALD prefers to think dental expenses incurred in procuring was forced by irresistible pressure on that the ex-governor has made a slip of them, but in order to place the coins at the disposal of our readers on equalfooting with the banks and clubs organized to procure them, the price will be the same, \$1. Call at the counting room tomorrow morning and make yourself the possessor of one of these and honor of France be stained by so handsome souvenirs.

JEALOUS PRELATES.

There seems to be no end to the complications growing out of the differences between Catholic prelates over the school and kindred questions. Just as the public has recovered from the sensational accounts of the Eriggs and Smith heresy trials Archbishop Ireland files charges with the highest papal tribunal reflecting on the lovalty and singleness of purpose of Archbishop Corrigan of New York. These two distinguished divines are the most prominent candidates for the vacant cardinalate. The war the one is waging upon the other, and which is returned in kind, will have the tendency to weaken confidence in the integrity of bitter invectives between two high church dignataries is possible paves the way for the belief that the eminently pious are sometimes moved by the baser passions of jealousy and hatred. It is to be hoped that there will be a complete uncovering of the schemes of these prelates, if any exist, so that the cause of religions and good schools shall not be impugned to the injury of the great body of devoted and sincere Catholics. The story of the intrigue is furnished to the United Press through that enterprising newsgatherer the Chicago Evening Post. It is an exclusive story but it is probable that for the benefit of all concerned it will be given wide circulation through the regular news service of the United Press.

PUT UP CROSSING GATES

Last night's terrible accident at Sunfield calls attention to the increasing necessity for a system which will, by automatic device, or otherwise, effectually prevent persons from driving on to a railroad track abead of approaching trains. It appears, from the lips of one of the mortally injured, that he land's majority was only 250,000. drove on the track with the rapidly But this is not all. Seventeen of the engine sounding and the bell ring- tral, Western and Pacific states were mind, but he became "rattled" just as the former and only 103 for the latter, the steel nose of the remorseless mon- and they send to congress 129 republister thrust uself through the whitened cans to 90 democrats and 23 populists. guard fances and an instant later the Where, then, is the great democratic awful crash came and four human victory? Almost wholly where there is bodies were huried to awful death. no free and honest suffrage. Had there been a gate at this cross ing which, by automatic action, could be lowered when the train passed a point 100 rods from the crossing, the terrible catastrophe would not have occurred. The lass of these lives is sufficient to justify the demand that some such safeguards shall be placed at every railroad crossing in the state. The cost of spen a precautionary measure should not be allowed to have a moment's consideration. The value of one human life is infinitely greater than the value of all the rallroads in the state. To impress the fact on yourmind just ask whether you would enchange places with one of the victims of last night's horror for all the railroads in the world.

PAY THE BETA.

seconded its powers, the same decision from the charge of undue bias in cases plets its new building, it will not be in about as measice.—Chicago

and done the democrat house will meaning. It does not defend the utiliignore the supreme court and the ty of the court as a judicial function county boards and count the votes but aims to show that the officers of itself, passing final and conclusive the court are always mindful of the judgment on the intent of the voter interests of the taxpayers, so that the and fixing irrevocably the plurality of the winner. The Eagle is playing fast served. It would be of more interest DAILY and SUNDAY. Three Months 1.50 and loose with common sense to gratify if the judge were to favor us with a the unreasoning desires of a few tinhorn gamblers whose money is at strability of the superior court as a stake. If these men had as much separate judicial institution of inferior principle as the veriest blackleg, they jurisdiction. Such an opinion would would pay their bets and save themselves from the contempt they are now unprejudiced discussion. inviting. When the result was in doubt these men were long and loud in protesting that bets should be paid when a certificate was issued Now that a certificate is issued these same fellows refuse to pay. They are nich and can afford to let their money remain idle, but the men with whom they wagered are poor and need the money they have won. If there is a spark of honor n the defeated ones they will pay up. It is claimed that the principal bettor at one time won \$30,000, much of it from men who were obliged to mortgage their homes to pay their bets. Now, that the tables are turned, this

on a quibble. DE LESSEPS' SHAME

If his rumored confession be true, there immunity is to sink to the lowest three of these letters were unmitigated tion and the rum of the enterprise. correct himself at the first opportunity. de Lesseps' apology is at best a paltry one. Better had the enterprise failed ten thousand times than that the name black a national disgrace. If the reports be true that Ferdinand de Lesseps has enriched himself at the expense of the canal company, another idol has been dethroned. Few have believed M. de Lesseps to be a rogue. Two continents have pitied him as the tool of rogues. If his individual guilt be made apparent, he can reach no lower level of shame and disgrace. As a tool de Lesseps deserved pity. As a common swindler all the good deeds of a lifetime cannot atone for his in- it.

WHERE IS THE VICTORY? Just after the recent election the

New York World, in summarizing the

result of the votes in the several states.

in 172,500, and Weaver 21,500, as th

aggregate pturalities of each in the states respectively carried by them. The Home Market Bulletin takes these figures and secures the following deductions: "The total of the Cleveland column is 796,000. Of this 662,000 came which there is no free ballot or fair general of the clerk. count. Leaving out those states, his majorities in the northern and western But the World's figures are not correct. They claim 2,500 majority in California and 1,500 in Ohio, both of which states went for Harrison. Of the 130,000 thus left 500 came from Delaware and 35,000 from Missouri, old slave states in which the election machinery is still so largely | Recorder. in democrat hands that there is hardly a fair vote; and 20,000 came from Illinois and Wisconsin, where the local school question chiefly determined it. This examination shows that in the free voting portion of the country the republicans were in the majority over both the democrats and populists, even on the World's figures, and fuller returns show that Cleveflying train in full sight, the whistle of the twenty-eight New England, Cening. The immment peril in which four for Harrison and only six for Clevelives was placed, flashed on his land. They give 159 electoral votes for

SUPERIOR COURT JURIES. It is a matter for regret that the extreme length of an article communicated by Judge Burlingame on the subject of superior court juries forbids its reproduction in these columns. The judge has prepared an exhaustive paper, forcefully defending his adminstration of the honorable office be now occupies. With great particularity he describes the methods employed to secure a panel of jurors and establishes by the constituted authorities is nonpartiesu. He then proceeds to show that in the interest of economy two cabbage market. juries of twelve men each are necessary. He says that when one case is in the keeping of a jury another case is called and the second jury is occupied In summing up the probabilities of in listening to the testimony. Inssfeture action affecting the congress much as the wisdom of this plan has somal result in this district. The Hagle been demonstrated by years of practice of the democrat olio is the great the matter of possessing anything of a arroneously states that the result of the in other courts it does not seem "brother act" of Henri Waterson and recount in this county shows a differ- necessary to spend very much Senator Carlisle. some of only one or two rotes. The time to prove it. The judge mildly Eagle must know that the recount criticises The Hunselp for the statement committee thraw out eight votes from made some years ago, that the juries the Plainfield precluct and refused to are continued on pay while the court the Tammany man's campaign? count several hundred other defective hears non-jury cases. He says it is ballogs. The principle of law which it not done now. The fact that The sites will apply with equal force to a Hunani called attention to the pracgiven condition, whether the results two might have had something to do acres or disagree, Hence if the su- in working the change. The judge Ir the Y. M. C. A. does not succeed prome court holds that the lonis board were properly defends the city jurges in raising the necessary \$40,000 to dom-

GRAND RAPIDS HERALD county board. But when all is said communication is dign fied and well no smen on the subscription commitends of justice and economy be subbrief opinion on the necessity and deopen up a subject for intelligent and

ONE MORE MISTAKE

Ex-Governor Luce aggravates a very unpleasant incident of the late senstorial campaign by declaring that Secretary Campbell never saw the celebrated "Friends will provide" letter until it appeared in print. As a matter of fact Secretary Campbell told a reporter for THE HERALD that he did consistent with the highest degree of hopesty. Perhaps Mr. Luce meant some other letter, for matance the "Me and pa" epistle said to have been written by the Hon. John Washburne Blodgett of this city. It is quite probsame man refuses to pay by standing able that Secretary Campbell never saw this one at all, for it escaped the newspapers altogether. Or pernaps Charles de Lesseps is a scoundrel. Mr. Luce refers to that other letter he himself wrote to Senator Stockbridge. can be no doubt of his weakness and It cannot be possible that he meant cuse that he wished to convince the ably "yellow" than its three predecesthe part of the public and press the tongue in a moment of undue to choose between wholesale corrup- mental excitement and that he will

ANOTHER FAIRY TALE.

Captain Belknap's latest contribu tion to contemporaneous literature is the following charming, not to say pathetic, bit of romantic personal his-

A group of members of the house were discussing the merits and demerits of their watches. Representative Belknap of Michigan held up his watch and chain, and its little charm at "I have four little girls," he said,

"and one year they waylaid me at every point for a penny or a dime. I carried a lot of loose change in my pockets, and so I shelled out the pen-nies without thinking any more about it. When Christmas came my wife gave me this watch, and the girls gave me the chain. It cost \$17.50, and I paid for it on the installment plan." "I prize this chain very much, too," continued Captain Belknap. "A relalive of mine, noticing that I had lost the charm which was originally on the chain, started out in New York one credited Cleveland with 796,000, Harrishe met General Sherman. He asked

> "Why,' he said, 'I know Belknap very well, and will go with you. "So they entered the store together

and this charm was selected. "'How much will you charge to en from the fourteen southern states, in grave a monogram upon it?' asked the

"'One dollar,' was the reply. "The general ran his hand down into his pocket, brought out a silver dollar states dwindle to a total of 134,000, and threw it down. When he got on which is 33,500 less than Harrison's. the car to ride home he found he had paid out the only small change in his nocket and, as he told his daughter afterward, he had to 'beat' his way home. That night he was taken ill with the sickness that caused his Rapids Bulletin. death, and the dollar he spent for the The partisans monogram on this charm was the last money he spent on earth .- New York

> WALL street bankers are signing a petition asking for the repeal of the Sherman silver act. When Wall street Muskegon News. opposes a measure it is usually one that is beneficial to the public. What have the stock barons to offer as a substitute for the bill which will bring more prosperity to the American people?

Somenopy has discovered that "the students of natural history are more free from strife, jealousies and uncharitableness" than the rest of mankind. It may be remarked for Grover Cleveland's benefit that monkeying with the Tammany tiger is not studying natural history.

THERE is something almost pathetic in the death of Zip, the big elephant. He swallowed four feet of log chain, and couldn't digest the metal. Zip was a gental, popular pachyderm; but he didn't understand the limits of his gastric juice.

PROF. JOE GODDARD says the Right Hon. John Lawrence Sullivan never was anything but a second rate fighter, and that Joe Goddard can swipe the earth with Jim Corbett. Prof. Goddard evidently learned to fight in a school of elecution.

GRATIOT county has a newspaper syndicate. It will probably "buil" the advertising and subscription end of the business and "bear" the cordwood and

GAIL HAMILTON'S letter to Mr. Gladstone possesses but one merit. It is an excellent sample of a woman's unrestrained expression of opinion.

Ove of the most charming features

Ir Claveland wishes to down Murphy | lakes with seventeen men and a exwhy don't he get Me and Pa to manage Now that they have decided to have

a morgue at the world's fair, we'll all

will extend to the action of the Kent affecting the city. Was a whole the because it has no live, energetic busi- Mail.

STOCKBRIDGE. The action of the republican legisla-tive caucus, last night, in selecting Senator Francis B. Stockbridge to be his own successor in the United States senate is eminently right. It is also a most stern and bitter rebuke of out aw meth de in conducting campaigns, but as just as biller; and it is not at all unexpected to those republicans who have watched with indignation and contempt the unbridled exhibitions of personal animosity which have led some of Mr. Stockbridge's opponents to seek his destruction for personal rea-sons alone, regardless of the injury which their course might also inflict upon the republican party of the state. These selfish partisans have failed. They could neither debauch the legislature nor pervert the press, and their schemes have reacted disastrously to themselves.—Lansing Republican.

The selection of Senator Stockbridge, by the legislative caucus, to be his own is the fulfillment of a prevalent expectation among those who have been cogwrite it and that its tenor was not in- nizant of the real situation of the senatorial contest. It is a result also which will give very general satisfaction to the people of the state who have tested his straight-forward business methods, untiring activity and efficient practieal ability in representing the interests of Michigan in the senate, and have made themselves conversant with the broad and manly view which he takes of current national questions .- Battle

Creek Journal. It is to the credit of the friends of the senator that his canvass was conducted in an honorable and open manner and entirely free from the stigma of unfairness and corruption. It also attests the strong hold Senator Stockbridge has upon the confidence of the party in the state and a cordial endorsement of have a representative in the United States senate of more brilliant attainments, but it could have selected no one more loyal to the party or to the state.-Saginaw Courier-Herald.

One thing is certain, and that is the method of warfare employed by the anti-Stockbridge men in the senatorial fight has done the party great mjury. The bitterness displayed by The Detroit Journal, the chief organ of the opp sition to Stockbridge, has injured ex-Senator Palmer and taught the sober thinking republicans of the state that the Vigorous opposition which hides beneath the garments of ex-Governor Luce, cares less for party and party orgamization than for political revenge. Their motto has been "Success at any cost."-Kalamazoo Telegraph.

The choice of Senator Stockbridge as the caucus nominee to succeed him-self was long since foreshadowed by the course of events. The contest being over, all should cheerfully abide by the result, with no grudges, animosities or heartburnings to arise as ghosts hereafter. Senator Stockbridge will carry into his second term the good wishes of all true patriots and in doing his duty can count upon their support .-Muskegon Chronicle.

There was hardly a word said in eulogy of Stockbridge's statesmanenip. He was presented as distinctively the friend of the widow and orphan, and as the special protector of the old and battered war veteran, whom, it was condescendingly announced, he would grasp by the hand with all the ferror and warmth that usually characterize his greeting of one of his own millionaire set.-Lansing Journal. Shakespeare has written something

her where she was going, and she told that fits every human event. "Much ado about nothing" applies to the fight for United States senator at Lansing, so far as opposition to Mr. Stockbridge was concerned. For ex-Governor Luce all that is left is the "balm in Gilead." To those not in the contion about as it was, the result is as expected .- Jackson Patriot.

The "millionaire" Stockbridge knocked out the "farmer candidate" Luce, and succeeds himself as United States senator from Michigan another six years. The first ballot decided the bitter contest, Stockbridge receiving 48 out of 87 votes. Luce received only 20, Hubbell 10, the rest scattering .- Big

The partisans of ex-Governor Luce should not be "sour" because he was defeated in the recent senatorship tilt. The only man in a contest of any sort who has a right to get "sour" over de-feat is the one who ever had a chance of victory. That Luce never had .-

Senator Stockbridge, as well as the republican party, can be congratulated at the dignified and manly way in which the result has been reached, and the renewed evidence thus accorded of the deserved esteem in which he is so justly held .- Adrian Times.

As between Stockbridge and Luce the action of the caucus is entirely satisfactory to this paper, and there is no occasion now to discuss any other as-pect of the situation. Mr. St ckbridge will succeed himself.—Marquette Mining Journal.

STATE PRESS COSSIP.

Two bills to prevent the issuing of passes to legislators have already been introduced in Lansing. This is a good start, but one carefully-drawn bill on the statute book is worth a good many in committee rooms. Push the baby. -Detroit Tribune.

Watterson wants every confederate colonel to have a postoffice under the Cleveland administration. But Henri first phrase of the master's famous forgets that there aren't enough postoffices in the county to supply them .-Adrian Times. of a New Year's baby having six fingers

Both Governors Rich and Winans devoted space in their messages to the question of betterment of public highways. In one respect at least they are on the right road .- Saginaw Courier-

Theron F. Gidding is being pushed by his friends for state insurance commissioner. It would be a good appointment. - Kalamazoo Gazette.

HIT AND MISS BREVITIES.

the number of scholars and the ad-President Eliot of Harvard says it is more important to keep the world's fair open on Sunday than on any other day. He realmes that Sunday is the Chicago workingman's opportunity to see the fair. - Milwaukee Sentinel. Chicago had a sacred cow, but she

application for membership on the ground that he never accompanies his froze to death the other night. This must leave the town about naked in sacred nature .- New York Advertiser. ial, her nushand stud onsly avoids tak-When Great Britain enters the great ing her about with him.

gone further in Roumania than in some countries of western Europe. troops in a line of fight along the shores. -St. Louis Post Pispatch. Twenty-seven women with 255 men There is a theater in New York where have entered the University of Buchshigh hate are barron. Who would rest in one year, and at Jacsy twenty. have thought that the millenum would aix women with 108 men. At the latbave begun business in New York? ter examination only one woman

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN.

silk lace; immense eleeves, not in one but two putts, often slashed and

urned back with very deep lace cuffs.

The straight skirts are of choice ma-

terial, trained and falling in classic

folds. Rosettes of ribbon or bows with

tagged ends are piculiar to the period.

A beautiful model in this style, im-

ported to copy from in various fabrics.

pale bine patterned faintly in gold, and combined with daffodil-

vellow satin. It is cut square in the

elbow with just such gauntlets of lace

as appear in portraits of Charles I.

Tagged bows appear on the front of the bodice. The skirt is box-plaited in the blue brocade, and when the wearer

MODISH CORSET SKIRT.

Very stylish and effective on both

eatin corselet or full empire dresses

made with guimpe and huge sleeves of

The black satin corselet skirt is really

an expensive gown, for it can do duty

the dressmaker's. The majority of

the lovely empire gowns made to wear on New Year's day were fashioned

with the corselet p rtion, or full short

GOWNS FOR VARIOUS FUNCTIONS.

ments-visiting costumes for the guests

and full-dress toilets for elaborate

evening functions. Some charming empire dresses have been made of

white and gold brocade with full

sleeves of mignonette green velvet, worked with gold beads and spangles.

Pink and rose-colored brocades have

sleeves of rosy violet velvet; and fawn

FASHIONABLE WINTER COATS

The newest winter coats differ from tailor jackets in being of richer mate-rial, or, if made of cloth, are elabor-

ately trimmed with bead and silk em-

passementeries in the shape of a deep

POINTS ABOUT WOMEN.

ask permission from the French

authorities. Leave would, of course,

be granted, but Orleanist pride cannot

The Rev. Anna Howard Shaw is a

noted visitor to New York. She ranks

first among the woman preachers of

America. Some of her first sayings have made her world-famous. Here is

one: "Call not that man or woman

wretched who, whatever ills he or she

Mrs. M. P. Kimball, whose husband,

the president of the Pennsboro & Har-

risville railroad, lately died, has been

elected by the directors of the road to

fill his place. Mrs. Kimball is known

through West Virginia as a woman of

business ability. The road is in Ritchie

county, West Virginia, and nine miles

In Vienna it is said that Sarah Bern-

hardt was compelled to appear before

the official judges in all the dresses she

A trio of rich New York sisters,

Mr. and Mrs. Piper of Wyandotte

county, Kansas, are the proud parents

Both Mrs. Mary Mapes Dodge and

Kate Field use phonographs instead of

dictating their matter to stenographers.

NOTES BY THE WAY.

a high pitch in Mysore. During the

viceroy's and Lady Lansdowne's visit they inspected the Maharanee girl's

school, and were astonished both at

of the girls are Brahmins, but other

The University club of Washington

The higher education of women has

high castes are well represented.

Female education in India stands at

afflicted with the Paderewski craze,

suffers, has a child to love."

condescend so far.

ahead of B ston.

palace at Potsdam.

on each hand.

with "Mother" Bickerdike.

coats,

as a background for an infinite variety

Many fashionable women prefer the Louis XIII. costumes to the simple em-For several years at the annual ex amination at the Conservatory of Mupire gowns. The former are more elaborate and the fabrica composing them of richer quality. They are characterized by square cut yokes or the first quality. The deficiency is alcharacterized by square cut yokes or tributed to training by unskilled decolletage, as the case may be, either teachers in the public schools instead veiled or edged with heavy vandyke of by special singing teachers.

William Foote, who thrashed a man for annoying lady tathers at Down-berry, Cornwall, was fined \$50. The ladies of the neighborhood have pre-sented him with a check for \$120 and a gold scarf pin set with diamonds in the shape of a horsewhip.

At a charity bazaar in Vienus an Englishman . ffered \$5,000 for a single kiss from the Marchioness Paliavic-cini. He got it and planked down a thousand-pound Bank of England note

It is stated that the empress of Gerlessening in depth from the shoulders, many is a very skillful violinist, and where it is very wide, forming shoulder often plays at the the after-dinner concapes. The sieeve consists of two great puffs of the brocade slashed with the daffodil and veiled half way to the

FASHION ITEMS.

Old prints of the costumes worn from 1800 to 1830 show the merveillense very frequently with a portion of the skirt gathered up to show the rich petticoat beneath and the sandaled snoes and she moves the plaits divide and show the glint of daffodil between. The train is lined with the yellow satin.

siken hose. The newest empire gowns are in this respect like them, being caught up on the left side with a chatelaine so that they show the pettic at and a glimpse of the foot. Sandal shoes are being revived, as are also the aumonieres of long ago.

de and brunette, on matron and maiden, are the new lustrous black A new and effective trimming for the many-caped short circulars and half-fitting cloaklets which are now so golden green veive: or Spanish yellow velvet, striped with fine lines of cut jet gimp. Black satin striped with rose color, scarlet, manye or gold are simfashionable is of the long, graceful bronze-green filaments of peacock's feathers, curled and massed together, but without the eyes. Capotes, long ilarly made, the yoke and empire sleeves of satin matching the stripe. boas and collarettes are of this curied plumage, which is particularly effective against velvet.

All sizes from the least to the largest of changes in guimpes, yoke tops and sleeves. Such an accommodating gown is a joy forever to the woman who dreads the ordeal of long "fittings" at in headgear is the vogue this season. Evening bonnets are, however, diminutive affairs often in cap shape with a crown of shot velvet in pale, beautiful tints or of gem-studded passementerie framed in fur. The trimming of these connets is often of cream-colored guipure lace fastened in place with jeweled

round waist, a la pompadour, instead of V-shaped or rounded in the neck. The stylish seven or nine gored skirts are satin piped or corded with a contrasting color. The sloped seam in the back is piped or corded like the rest. Teas and receptions follow each other in quick succession just now and mod-istes are busy furnishing all sorts of There is n . trimming of any sort at the oot of these skirts so that an unbroken pretty and unique house dresses for the hostess and her aids, who dispense tea and bouillon at afternoon entertainline of color on each seam shows from belt to hem.

Economy, elegance and the mode are represented in the black silk gown, which is restored once more to popular favor. For visiting or reception uses it is satin striped or brocaded, but not in colors. With it it is worn a black velvet coat and bonnet. The Vandyke sleeve cape, that has a

sharp point above the elbow is now often added to fancy opera jackets instead of the square, Russian-shaped and gold stripes, in silk and satin are and gold stripes, in silk and satin are made up with ciel blue-colored silk stead of the square, Russian-shapeu cape. These short capes are plaited very full to make them stand out The empire sleeve still continues to

multiply and increase and replemsh the cash account of him who sells cloth. The newest of these sleeves measure a yard and an eighth across broidery or silk cord and chenille ara-besques with fur edgings. Handsome the top before they are adjusted to the bodice. yoke, a Russian or rounding Figaro The bell skirt is still worn by fash-

enaulets or other shoulder ornaments round skirt of five straight breadths are at the top of the sleeves. The fancy for directoire shoulder revers gathered to a belt and worn with an empire round waist. and huge notched collars of velvet or A favorite style for making lustrous fur is also carried out in finished new

black silks is en princess, with straps from the low-cut bodice going over the sh ulder. With this is worn a fuil-When the count and countess of sleeved Russian underwaist or guimpe. Paris, who are now wintering in Spain. Many so-called empire gowns are go to and from their English residence fitted as carefully as those that are to the Iberian peninsula, they travel tailor made, but the drapery across the by water and not across France. It is bust and the big, puffed sleeves give necessary, in order to do the latter, to

them a distinctive empire character. Just now the evening glove par excellence is white undressed kid, which is easy fitting, slightly wrinkled and

Satin of brilliant sheen is the fashionable fabrics for ball dresses this sea-SDD.

POINTS ABOUT MEN.

Ex-Senator Spooner of Wisconsin and Mrs. Spooner will leave Madison about the middle of the month and spend the rest of the winter in the south and California.

John V. Wright of Tennessee will be a candidate for the office of land commissioner under the new national administration. He was congressman before the civil war.

Mr. Cleveland evidently intends to spend a go d portion of the coming summer at Gray Gables, for his cottage on Buzzard's bay is undergoing additions and repairs.

was to wear in the plays produced in the Austrian capital. This scores one John W. Grantham, a resident of Mrs. Mary U. Sturgis, who died in Johnston county, North Carolina, has Kansas City last week, St years of age, seven grown daughters, six of whom was a noted army nurse during the war, and associated for a long time are married, all to men whose baptismal name is John.

Renan died so poor that his library The emperor and empress of Gerwill have to be sold to enable his wife many decorated the family Christmas to tide over the period which must tree this year with their own hands. clapse before the government grants The festivities were held in the new her a pensi n.

Ex-Mayor Grant of New York has had five flattering business offers, but has not definitely decided which, if have embroidered on their hose the any, of them he will accept.

Dickens never used a lead pencil. He always wrote with a quili pen.

ALLEGED TO BE FUNNY. Mother (returned from a call)-

Why, you have taken cold. You are Don't you feel hot" Little Ethel-"Yes'm, I've been havin' Johnme tell me some ghost stories, so's to make cold collis run down my back, but it doesn't do a bit of good."-Good Caller-"And you have a good girl

What is that?" children and my husband and I have to take care of them while she gets the meals."-New York Weekly. "That woman over there looks as if

recently blackballed a married man's she were painted." "Sir, that is my wife!" "I had not finished my sentence. She looks as if she were painted wife to social gatherings. Though the by Raphnel and had just stepped out of lady is young and pretty and the home the frame."-Truth. "John," said Mrs. Norton, as she

seated berself at the notel breakfast table, "did you call a waiter?" "Yes," said Norton, looking up from his paper, two pink and blue, "after coffues," "I called um and he had a tray full." were won by Miss Jennie White and

"Ind you hear about the fall De Beers had in the smoking room on Christmas eve?" "No; tell me how it haspered." "Oh, it wasn't very seri-

NEWS OF THE HOTELS orrow the furniture season will

Intil Furniture was sold that were in condition to be inspected by the purchasers. Only two or three firms had their samples in position and their price lists completed. Yesterday morning many of the out of-town sellers and not unloaded their samples from the care, and had to work all day and early all night, in order to get their warerooms in shape to begin business

There are probably more sellers in There are probably more sellers in the city than were ever seen here before, and every one of them has a big inte of samples. The outside agents come into direct competition with the local manufacturers; but the frand Rapids men seem to bear up under it. "I like to see them come," said a well known commission man, yesterday. "Of course, they hart our trade a little, but in the end they will do us cood. It would be a good thing trade a little, but in the end they will do us good. It would be a good thing for the Grand Rapids manufacturers if every furniture manufacturing concern in the country brought samples here twice every year. In a little while it would attract every furniture buyer in the country here. The town would be run over with them, and we local men would grab off the plums. See?

"How would we do it? Why, easy enough. We can manufacture better and more artistic furniture than any other city in the country. These out-

other city in the country. These outless they are handling a specialty that we don't make. Well, we could let the outside fellows help attract the buyers, but as soon as they looked over the exhibits and saw the superiority of our furniture, they would buy of us. Great scheme, ain't it? "But we don't want the earth. We're

willing the outside men should have a show for their ally once in a while. Grand Rapide furniture manufacturers are no hogs. The only reason we ask people to buy our furniture to the excause we want the dear public to get the worth of its money. We're philan-thropists. That's right."
"Business will undoubtedly open up

in good shape," said J. W. Wheelock in the Morton yesterday afternoon. "I think the eastern trade will be g od. I see no reason why we shouldn't all do well this year."

"Are there any strikingly new designs?'
"Well, there are the usual improve-

ments. Grand Kapids furniture grows better and more artistic every year. If you don't believe it ask us about it. We're like an old fellow I used to know when I was a boy in New England. 'Squire Gray kept the tavern, and every time he got a new barrel of whisky the old fellow was on hand to get it off the skids and help tap it. Then he'd draw off a dipper full, take a long soul-inspiring drink, wait for the after-taste with all the deliberation of a connoisseur, and finally remark: 'Cuseed if that sin't even better whicky than the other barrel; eb, squire? Our furniture is always better than the pre-

ceding installment."

There are scarcely more than fif-teen buyers all told in the city, but large delegations are expected every day this week. Most of those that are in the city do the buying for large wholesale houses in the east and mid-dle states. They know just what they want, and where they will find exactly the kind of furniture that their trade requires. They have been here before and understand the wiles of the smooth and only seller. ionable women, but is widened at the wiles of the smooth foot. In violent contrast is a directoire The big western buy two exceptione, have not begun to come, and will not be here for a week or two yet. Only a few of the heavy

castern buyers are here. "Some people imagine that selling furniture is a snap of the softest kind," said one of the best known local sellers yesterday. "They never tried it. The strain on a man is awful during the time the visiting buyers are here. has mighty shrewd business men to compete with, and no man's furniture will sell itself. We have to work all day and all night when we do get down to business. I never like to let a good customer get out of my sight for a minute after I have taken him in tow. We don't spend all our time drinking cocktails and playing pool, by a devi

of a lot." Among the heavy buyers who are now in the city are the following: F. J. Comstock of St. Louis, Mo.; J. A. Colby, W. A. Brooks, S. M. Wirts of Chicago; William A. McLaughlin of Chicago; William A. McLaugulin of Brooklyn; August Hahn of Newark; W. H. Wagoner of Camden, S. K. Barstow of Ceveland; W. L. Shearer of Boston; A. C. Opperman of Pittsburg, T. A. Updygraff of Williamsport; George W. Hofrichter of Cleveland: W. H. Russell of Cincinnati; Alfred Gayton of Cleveland.

James Williams and wife of East-port, Cal., and Peter Williams of Los Angeles are guests in the Kent. are in the city buying furniture for our homes," and Mr. Williams. "If anybody wants good furniture, Grand Rapids is the place to come for it." Both Mr. Williams and his brother are railroad contractors.

James Richmond, the Lowell farmer who bought patent saw-sets, was a guest in the Eagle yesterday. Mr. Richmond said he still had hopes of nearing from the man from whom he bought the articles, although he admitted that it had begun to look like a matter of eternity rather than of time "But I haven't squealed yet," he said. "Never saw such beautiful and at-

tractive furniture before as I have on this trip," said Alfred Gayton of the Gayton Furniture company, in the lobby of the Morton last night. "It is almost ideal. The styles have not changed essentially this season. Empirestyle is very popular. The Louis XV. is still in favor. There have been comparatively few striking American designs ever made that were exclusively American. The designer has difficult work in creating something original that will strike the public taste. One of the most popular ceptions ever produced in this country are the colonial chairs, the designs for which were made by John E. Il at last." Suburban Hostess. "Yes, a The furniture man has as hard work perfect jewel. But there is one draw- to find out what the public wants as "She has six the newspaper man has.

Pink Pedro Perty.

Mrs. F. C. Heath entertained about thirty of her lady friends Friday aftermoon with a pink and blue pedro party. She was assisted by Mrs. W. B. Folger and Mrs. Menhennick. A novelfeature of the party was the pink and blue derorations. Every one who won a game, instead of having a card punched, received a gift peanut tied with a pink or bine ribbin. After the game dainty refreshments were served. The prizes Miss Clara Mangold.

Prosperous Odd Fellow Lodge Enterprise lodge No. 406 of Odd Felowe held an metalishon of officers seri- Friday evening and will give an oyster Whenever Adia; gets puffed up thinking about his office he should reflect
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